

OPINION 2347 (Case 3589)***Hemerodromia* Meigen, 1822 and HEMERODROMIINAE Schiner, 1862 (Insecta, Diptera, EMPIDIDAE): genus-group and family-group names conserved**

Abstract. The Commission has conserved under the plenary power the current usage of the generic name *Hemerodromia* Meigen, 1822, for a well-established genus of empidid flies by setting aside all type species fixations for *Hemerodromia* Meigen, 1822 prior to that of *Tachydromia oratoria* Fallén, 1815 by Rondani (1856).

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Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary power it is hereby ruled that all type species fixations for the nominal genus *Hemerodromia* Meigen, 1822 before that of *Tachydromia oratoria* Fallén, 1815 by Rondani (1856) are set aside.
- (2) The name *Hemerodromia* Meigen, 1822 (gender: feminine), type species *Tachydromia oratoria* Fallén, 1815 by subsequent designation by Rondani (1856) is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *oratoria* Fallén, 1815, as published in the binomen *Tachydromia oratoria* (specific name of the type species of *Hemerodromia* Meigen, 1822), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 3589

An application to conserve the current usage of the widely used generic name *Hemerodromia* Meigen, 1822, for a well-established genus of empidid flies was received from Neal L. Evenhuis *J. Linsley Gressitt Center for Entomological Research, Bishop Museum, Honolulu, Hawaii, U.S.A.* and Adrian R. Plant *Department of Biodiversity & Systematic Biology, National Museum of Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NP, U.K.* on 12 April 2012. After correspondence the Case was published in BZN 69: 191–194 (September 2012). The title, abstract and keywords of the Case were published on the Commission's website. A comment in support was published in BZN 69(4): 295. The Case was sent for vote on 1 March 2014.

Decision of the Commission

At the close of the voting period on 1 June 2014 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 23: Alonso-Zarazaga, Ballerio, Bogutskaya, Bouchet, Brothers, Fautin, Grygier, Halliday, Harvey, Kottelat, Krell, Kullander, Lamas, Ng, Pape, Patterson, Rosenberg, Štys, van Tol, Winston, Yanega, Zhang and Zhou.

Negative votes – 2: Kojima and Lim.

Pyle was on leave of absence.

Voting AGAINST, Kojima said that considering that the present proposal is more or less taxonomic rather than simply nomenclatural, the taxonomic background should

have been clearly mentioned to justify the proposal, for example the extent of instability caused by *Chelifera* having fallen in synonymy with *Hemerodromia*.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on the Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Hemerodromia Meigen, 1822, *Systematische Beschreibung der bekannten europäischen zweiflügeligen Insekten. Dritter Theil.* x, Schultz-Wundermann, Hamm, p. 61.
oratoria, *Tachydromia*, Fallén, 1815, *Empidiae Sveciae. Quarum descriptionem Venia Ampl. Facult. Philos. Lund. In Lyceo Carolino d. XVII Junii MDCCCXV*, Berlingianis, Lundae p. 11.

The following is the reference to the type species designation in this ruling:

Rondani, C. 1856. *Dipterologiae Italicae prodromus. Vol: I. Genera Italica ordinis dipterorum ordinatim disposita et distincta et in familias et stirpes aggregata.* A. Stocchi, Parmae, p. 148.